

ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES 🌮 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022



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AFL Standings

W-L-T GB

Surprise Saguaros*	17-10	—
Peoria Javelinas	13-13-1	3.5
Scottsdale Scorpions	13-13-1	3.5
Glendale Desert Dogs	12-13-2	4.0
Mesa Solar Sox	12-13-2	4.0
Salt River Rafters	11-16	6.0

*Clinched #1 seed in AFL Championship

Today's Games

Salt River @ Mesa

Sloan Park - 12:25 p.m.

Salt River

RHP Anders Tolhurst (TOR)
1-2, 2.63 ERA

Mesa

RHP Mason Miller (OAK)
1-1, 3.29 ERA

Glendale @ Peoria

Peoria Sports Complex - 12:35 p.m.

Glendale

RHP Emmet Sheehan (LAD)
2-1, 4.70 ERA

Peoria

RHP Bryan Woo (SEA)
2-0, 0.84 ERA

Surprise @ Scottsdale

Scottsdale Stadium - 6:35 p.m.

Surprise

RHP Kumar Rocker (TEX)
1-1, 3.38 ERA

Scottsdale

RHP Connor Van Scoyoc (LAA)
1-3, 7.04 ERA



Today's Headlines

Matt Mervis (CHC), Andy Pages (LAD) and Jordan Walker (STL) each recorded two RBI for the National League Fall Stars on Sunday afternoon. Mervis' fifth-inning, two-run home run was the only homer hit in the Fall Stars Game.

Evan Reifert (TB) pitched a perfect inning for the American League Fall Stars on Sunday. If including his stats from the Fall Stars Game, Reifert has not allowed a hit in his last 11 2/3 innings. His 0.00 ERA is tied with Joey Wentz for the lowest in the Fall League among qualified pitchers.

Edouard Julien (MIN) is the current AFL leader in OPS among qualified players (1.218). He also leads the AFL in slugging percentage (.683) and on-base percentage (.535), while his batting average ranks fifth (.365). 10 of his 23 AFL hits have been for extra bases.

Spencer Bivens (SF) tossed a scoreless inning in the Fall Stars Game, allowing no hits and striking out two hitters. The right-hander has allowed one run and collected 13 strikeouts in the AFL over 11 1/3 innings, if including his efforts in the Fall Stars Game.

Robert Perez Jr. (SEA) was named the AFL Home Run Derby champion on Saturday, finishing ahead of Heston Kjerstad (BAL) by one home run in the championship round. Approximately 150 home runs were hit onto the outfield lawn at Sloan Park on Saturday night.

The Surprise Saguaros have clinched home field advantage for the 2022 AFL Championship on Saturday night at Scottsdale Stadium. Two of the Saguaros' final three games of the regular season will also be played at Scottsdale Stadium.

Weekly Batting Practice Schedule

Team	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Glendale	OFF	-	-	-		
Peoria	OFF	X	-	-		
Salt River	OFF	-	TBD	TBD	OFF	X
Surprise	OFF	X	-	-		
Scottsdale	OFF	X	TBD	TBD		
Mesa	OFF	X	-	TBD		

12:35 p.m. - Home Infield: 9:10 a.m., Home BP: 9:25 a.m., Visitor BP: 10:40 a.m., Visitor Infield: 11:40 a.m.

6:35 p.m. - Home Infield: 3:10 p.m., Home BP: 3:25 p.m., Visitor BP: 4:40 p.m., Visitor Infield: 5:40 p.m.

Note: Batting practice in AFL Week 6 (Nov. 8-12) is mandatory only for postseason games (Friday and Saturday).

Upcoming Games and Probable Starters

Wednesday, November 9

Glendale @ Mesa	12:35 p.m.	Chase Solesky (CWS) vs. Ryan Cusick (OAK)
Peoria @ Surprise	12:35 p.m.	Efrain Contreras (SD) vs. Rhett Kouba (HOU)
Salt River @ Scottsdale	12:35 p.m.	Connor Thomas (STL) vs. TBD

Thursday, November 10

Salt River @ Glendale	12:35 p.m.	TBD vs. TBD
Peoria @ Mesa	12:35 p.m.	TBD vs. Alex Ayala (TB)
Surprise @ Scottsdale	12:35 p.m.	Colton Gordon (HOU) vs. TBD

AFL Prospect Rankings - MLB Pipeline Top 100

#6	Jordan Walker - OF, Salt River Rafters (STL)	#51	Brennen Davis - OF, Mesa Solar Sox (CHC)
#13	Jordan Lawlar - SS, Salt River Rafters (ARI)	#54	Masyn Winn - SS, Salt River Rafters (STL)
#18	Noelvi Marte - SS, Glendale Desert Dogs (CIN)	#69	Andy Pages - OF, Glendale Desert Dogs (LAD)
#20	Henry Davis - C, Surprise Saguaros (PIT)	#76	Matt McLain - SS, Glendale Desert Dogs (CIN)
#23	Robert Hassell III - OF, Peoria Javelinas (WAS)	#87	Jackson Merrill - SS, Peoria Javelinas (SD)
#24	Zac Veen - OF, Salt River Rafters (COL)	#95	Tink Hence - P, Salt River Rafters (STL)
#42	Jasson Domínguez - OF, Mesa Solar Sox (NYY)	#97	Nick Gonzales - 2B, Surprise Saguaros (PIT)
#47	Quinn Priester - P, Surprise Saguaros (PIT)	#98	Zack Gelof - 2B, Mesa Solar Sox (OAK)

Arizona Fall League Alumni Spotlight

Kris Bryant (Mesa Solar Sox, 2013) was selected by the Chicago Cubs with the second-overall pick in the 2013 MLB Draft. Born in Las Vegas, Nevada, Bryant attended the University of San Diego and played on the United States collegiate national team. He made his way to the Fall League during his first season as a professional, posting a .364/.457/.727 batting slash in 20 AFL games. Bryant won the National League Rookie of the Year award in 2015 and has since been named a four-time All-Star, National League MVP (2016) and World Series champion (2016). He was acquired by the Colorado Rockies in advance of the 2022 season.

AFL Player Notebook

Glendale Desert Dogs

MLB affiliates: CWS, LAD, CIN, MIN, MIL

#12 Edouard Julien - Minnesota Twins

Selected in the 18th round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Auburn University. Played exclusively with Double-A Wichita in 2021, posting a .300/.441/.490 slash. Played two collegiate summer seasons in the Cape Cod Baseball League (Falmouth Commodores, 2018; Hyannis Harbor Hawks, 2019).

#99 Hyun-il Choi - Los Angeles Dodgers

Career 3.23 ERA in three professional seasons. 181 career strikeouts in 175 1/3 career Minor League innings. Pitched 106 1/3 innings in 2021 between Single-A Rancho Cucamonga and High-A Great Lakes, posting a 3.55 ERA. Born in Seoul, South Korea.

Today's Starting Pitcher

#56 Emmet Sheehan - Los Angeles Dodgers

Selected in the sixth round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Boston College. Posted a 2.91 ERA in 68 innings this year between High-A Great Lakes and Double-A Tulsa. Pitched exclusively as a starter in his final two years at Boston College; has made 16 starts and 11 relief appearances in the Minors.

Mesa Solar Sox

MLB affiliates: CHC, OAK, MIA, NYY, TB

#12 Jasson Domínguez - New York Yankees

Played 120 games in 2022 between Single-A Tampa (75 games), High-A Hudson Valley (40) and Double-A Somerset (5), posting a combined .273/.376/.461 batting slash. Made his organizational debut with the Yankees at 18 years old. Born in Esperanza, Dominican Republic.

#49 Evan Reifert - Tampa Bay Rays

Pitched 37 1/3 innings in 2022 between Double-A Montgomery, High-A Bowling Green and the Florida Complex League, posting a combined 4.58 ERA with 62 strikeouts. Selected in the 30th round of the 2018 MLB Draft out of the University of Central Missouri.

Today's Starting Pitcher

#17 Mason Miller - Oakland Athletics

Pitched 14 total innings in 2022 between Triple-A Las Vegas, High-A Lansing and the Arizona Complex League, posting a combined 3.86 ERA. Career 3.15 ERA in 20 professional innings. Third-round selection in the 2021 MLB Draft out of Gardner-Webb University.



AFL Player Notebook

Peoria Javelinas

MLB affiliates: SD, SEA, CLE, NYM, WAS

#23 Robert Perez Jr. - Seattle Mariners

American League winner for Fall Stars Final Vote nomination. Played 127 games in 2022 between Single-A Modesto (92 games) and High-A Everett (35 games), posting a combined .288/.398/.523 slash. Won the AFL Home Run Derby on Saturday, November 5.

#3 Kevin Kendall - New York Mets

Selected in the seventh round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of UCLA. Posted a .911 OPS in his final year with the Bruins. Played in three Minor League games in 2022, all with Single-A St. Lucie. Holds a career .312/.401/.426 batting slash in the Minors (34 games). Born in Long Beach, California.

Today's Starting Pitcher

#35 Bryan Woo - Seattle Mariners

Selected in the sixth round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Cal Poly. Pitched primarily with High-A Everett in 2022, posting a 4.78 ERA with 46 strikeouts in seven total starts (32 IP). Named Northwest League Pitcher of the Week for the week of August 21. Born in Oakland, California.

Salt River Rafters

MLB affiliates: ARI, COL, DET, STL, TOR

#33 Justin Martinez - Arizona Diamondbacks

Pitched 38 innings in 2022 between Triple-A Reno, Double-A Amarillo, High-A Hillsboro and the Arizona Complex League, posting a combined 3.32 ERA with 62 strikeouts. Born in Bonao, Dominican Republic. Has pitched 161 career innings in four Minor League seasons (4.81 ERA).

#61 Tyler Mattison - Detroit Tigers

Went 7-1 on the mound in 2022 with a 4.94 ERA in 39 2/3 Minor League innings. Struck out 54 batters. Picked up two saves; also started at least one game at two levels of the Minors. Selected in the fourth round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Bryant University.

Today's Starting Pitcher

#34 Anders Tolhurst - Toronto Blue Jays

Pitched 12 1/3 innings in 2022 between Single-A Dunedin and the Florida Complex League, recording a combined 3.65 ERA with 20 strikeouts. Selected in the 23rd round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Grossmont College (CA). Born in Santee, California.

Surprise Saguaros

MLB affiliates: KC, TEX, HOU, PHI, PIT

#10 Scott Schreiber - Houston Astros

Played four collegiate seasons at the University of Nebraska before his ninth-round selection in the 2018 MLB Draft. Posted a 1.137 OPS in his senior season with the Cornhuskers. Born in Appleton, Wisconsin. Brother of Brad Schreiber, who pitched six years in the Minors from 2013-18.

#30 Brett Schulze - Philadelphia Phillies

Selected in the seventh round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of the University of Minnesota. Pitched 25 2/3 innings in 2022 between Double-A Reading (6 1/3 IP), High-A Jersey Shore (13 1/3), Single-A Clearwater (3) and the Florida Complex League (3 IP), posting a combined 3.16 ERA.

Today's Starting Pitcher

#80 Kumar Rocker - Texas Rangers

Third-overall selection in the 2022 MLB Draft. Pitched at Vanderbilt from 2019-21, helping lead the Commodores to the College World Series in 2019 and 2021. Pitched on Team USA's 18-and-under national team. Pitched 20 innings for the Tri-City Valley Cats (Frontier League) in 2022.

Scottsdale Scorpions

MLB affiliates: SF, LAA, BAL, BOS, ATL

#23 Heston Kjerstad - Baltimore Orioles

Selected with the second-overall pick in the 2020 MLB Draft out of the University of Arkansas. Helped lead the Razorbacks to a runner-up finish at the 2019 College World Series. Finished second in the AFL Home Run Derby on Saturday, November 5.

#37 Nolan Hoffman - Baltimore Orioles

Selected by the Mariners in the fifth round of the 2018 MLB Draft out of Texas A&M. Acquired by the Orioles in the 2021 Rule 5 Draft. Pitched 23 1/3 innings in 2022 between Double-A Bowie (23 1/3), High-A Aberdeen (2) and the Florida Complex League, posting a combined 3.62 ERA.

Today's Starting Pitcher

#44 Connor Van Scoyoc - Los Angeles Angels

Selected in the 11th round of the 2018 MLB Draft out of Jefferson High School (IA). Pitched exclusively with Single-A Inland Empire in 2022, posting a 4.28 ERA over 120 innings pitched. Brother of Spencer Van Scoyoc, a pitcher in the Phillies organization.

2022 AFL Playoff Bracket

#3 Overall Seed (Visitor)



Friday, November 11
Peoria Sports Complex
6:35 p.m. MST

#2 Overall Seed (Home)



Saturday, November 12
Scottsdale Stadium
6:00 p.m. MST

#1 Surprise Saguaros (Home)

2022 AFL Champion



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